



County Manager's Monthly Memo

From the Santa Fe County Manager

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Board Of County Commissioners Upcoming Schedule

All Regular Meetings
are held on Tuesday in
the County Commission
Chambers at
102 Grant Ave.

January 12
January 26
February 9
February 23

BCC meetings will
start at 2 p.m.

The Housing Authority
Board meeting on the
last Tuesday of each
month will start at 1
p.m.

All regular meetings are
broadcast live at
www.santafecountynm.gov
and on Comcast Ch. 28
or you can listen live on
Que Suave AM810

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and click our events cal-
endar for a full schedule
of upcoming meetings,
events and closures.

ARTsmart Partners with Santa Fe Community Foundation's Dollars4Schools

For 25 years ARTsmart has been offering visual art education to youth in North-
ern New Mexico. Through a partnership with Santa Fe Community Foundation's
Dollars4Schools initiative, ARTsmart has offered monthly programming at the
Santa Fe Youth Development Program since January 2015. We are pleased to
announce an exhibition of artworks by program youth is being displayed in the
newly renovated Santa Fe Community Foundation located on 501 Halona St.
from until January 7, 2016. The exhibition is open to the public from 9 a.m. - 5
p.m. Monday - Friday.

Public exhibitions are a critical to the ARTsmart methodology, providing students
with the opportunity to have their artwork seen by the community and celebrate
their artistic accomplishments. Aaron Garcia, Youth Service Administrator, noted
that the classes have made a major contribution to the lives of the youth in the
program. Garcia stated, "Providing visual art education has been tool for them to
learn about healthy self-expression. We are grateful to ARTsmart for giving resi-
dents the opportunity to learn about themselves through structured, creative les-
sons."

"The transformation that ac-
cess to the arts has made in
some of the teenager's com-
munication is observable,"
said ARTsmart instructor
Mariel Garcia, "teaching here
has been a meaningful addi-
tion to ARTsmart's mission."



Pictured L to R: Aaron Garcia, Youth Services Administra-
tor, Public Safety Department and Pablo Sedillo, III, Public
Safety Director at the art exhibit.

See Page 4 and
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artwork

Free Recycle Bins

Santa Fe County is handing out free recycle bins at all transfer stations for County residents. If you are interested in picking up free bins, you can ask a caretaker at the facility and they will assist. These are 18-gallon recycle bins. Residents can receive two bins, one for mixed and one for glass.

(If you don't currently recycle, this could be the perfect New Year's Resolution)



Recycle Your Christmas Tree

The County's solid waste collection centers (except for Rancho Viejo) will be participating and accepting clean Christmas trees for free until January 16, 2016.

We define clean trees as:

- Free of tinsel and tree flock
- No lights or ornaments
- No wiring or other wrappings
- No tree stands
- Real Christmas trees only (artificial trees are currently treated as trash)



Santa Fe County Seeking Residents for COLTPAC

Santa Fe County Open Land Trails and Parks Advisory Committee (COLTPAC) is looking for new members. COLTPAC is an advisory committee to the Board of County Commissioners on matters relating to open space, trails and parks. Members of the committee are appointed by the Board of County Commissioners based on letters of interest and qualifications.

If you are interested in serving on the committee, please mail or email your resume and letter of interest, including a physical address and phone number to:

Santa Fe County
 Attn: Maria Lohmann, Open Space and Trails Planner
 P.O. Box 276, Santa Fe, NM 87504-0276
 Email: melohmann@santafecountynm.gov

Application deadline is Friday, **January 15, 2016 at 5 p.m.**

Revelers Rejoice! \$5 Cab Ride Home on New Year's Eve

The Santa Fe County DWI Program is offering a subsidized \$5 Cab Ride Home for one or two riders and \$10 a cab for three or more on New Year's Eve from 5:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m., call 438-0000 for a Cab Ride Home.

Celebrate the New Year by NOT drinking and driving. The Santa Fe County DWI Program wants everybody to Think SaFe, don't drink and drive. Take a Cab Ride Home instead. Ring in the New Year by ringing a cab at the end of the party. Make 2016 your year by taking charge of your safety, don't drink and drive.

The Santa Fe County DWI Program subsidizes the Cab Ride Home Program with funds generated by the New Mexico Liquor Excise Tax. Every year thousands chose to take a cab instead of getting behind the steering wheel and driving under the influence of alcohol.

CALL 505-438-0000 for a Cab Ride Home

Board Approved Sustainable Land Development Code

The Board of County Commissioners unanimously (5-0) adopted the 2015 Sustainable Land Development Code, the 2015 Zoning Map, and the Fee Ordinance during their December 8, 2015 regularly scheduled Board of County Commissioners meeting.

The Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC) governs land use and development throughout the unincorporated areas of the County. The 2015 Zoning Map assigns a zoning district to all parcels in the County. The Fee Ordinance was developed to make development permit and review fees consistent with the SLDC.

The 2015 SLDC and 2015 Zoning Map adoption follows numerous public meetings held throughout the County and significant public input which included several hundred public comments.

The County released the Zoning Map adoption draft in March 2014 and initiated a public review process and comment period. Based on an analysis of the comments and zoning map criteria, staff presented recommendations for changes which were incorporated into the 2015 Zoning Map adoption draft. Over 34,500 letters were sent to property owners in the County in both 2014 and 2015 to inform property owners of the zoning map adoption process and public hearing process. Residents can use an online interactive zoning map which is a tool that allows the user to view the zoning assigned to their property as well as any part of the county by area, parcel number, property owner name or property address.

This Sustainable Land Development Code, Zoning Map, and Fee Ordinance will go into effect in mid-January 2016.

A few Pieces From the Artwork Exhibit





From the County Manager

Thank you to all

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our Santa Fe County employees for a successful 2015. I am appreciative of the hard work and dedication you each put into your daily duties. Santa Fe County is an exceptional team to be part of and I look forward to a great 2016.

A gift of giving

I would like to thank all of the Santa Fe County employees that have donated

so much over the last few months. Employees have donated peanut butter jars, gifts for the annual Santa Fe County Housing "Joshua Tree" program, individual departments have sponsored families, among other things. I am so grateful to work with such amazing, giving, and caring individuals. Again, thank you so much for everything you do.

A good bit of advice

I came across this article on life and happiness and wanted to share, this small exert from it, wishing everyone happiness

in the new year and always.

"there is no way to happiness. Happiness is the way.

So, treasure every moment that you have and treasure it more because you shared it with someone special, special enough to spend your time...and remember that time waits for no one."



County Manager
Katherine Miller



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Frequently Called Numbers:

County Assessor's Office – (505) 986-6300
County Clerk's Office – (505) 986-6280
County Treasurer's Office – (505) 986-6245
County Sheriff's Office – (505) 986-2455
SFC Adult Correctional Facility – (505) 428-3861

Other Important Numbers

Building Permits (505) 986-6225
Fire Questions/ Burn Permit (505) 992-3070
Utilities (505) 992-9870
Public Works/Roads (505) 992-3010
Human Resources (505) 992-9880
Community Services (505) 992-9849
Attorney's Office (505) 326-6279
Teen Court (505) 995-9555
Animal Control (505) 992-1626



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